

REMARKS

This paper is responsive to a Final Office Action dated November 18, 2005. Prior to this response, claims 1, 4-13, 16-21, and 23-24 were pending. After canceling claims 1, 9, 13, and 21, claims 4-8, 11-12, 16-21, and 23-24 remain pending.

Section 1 of the Office Action states that claims 4-8, 11-12, and 16-20 have been allowed.

Section 2 of the Office Action states that claim 23 would be found allowable if rewritten in independent form including all the subject matter of the base and intervening claims. Claim 23 depends from claims 16 and 17, both of which have been allowed. Therefore, the Applicant assumes that claim 23 is also allowable as presented.

Section 3 of the Office Action states that claims 1, 9, 13, and 21 have been rejected as unpatentable under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) with respect to Kim et al. (6,621,114), in view of Currie et al. (2003/0234439) and Sohn et al. (6,753,230), and further in view of Hoffman (2004/0155846) and Rotondaro et al.

Claim 24 is not mentioned, either as being allowed or as being rejected. Since claim 24 shares many of the allowed claim limitations, the Applicant assumes that claim 24 is allowed.

It is believed that the application is in condition for allowance and reconsideration is earnestly solicited.

Respectfully submitted,

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